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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby notifies the Examiner of documents that may be deemed material to the examination of the above-identified application.

Copies of documents listed may be found in the parent application, Ser. No. 654,133, thus in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d), copies thereof are not required to be provided as they were submitted to the Office in a prior application.

Since the instant Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to issuance of a first Office Action on the merits, no certification under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) is required.

Also, for all foreign language documents, an English language abstract of the reference along with the documents were submitted concurrently in the parent application, thus fulfilling the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance under 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(3). See also, M.P.E.P. §609 A(3).

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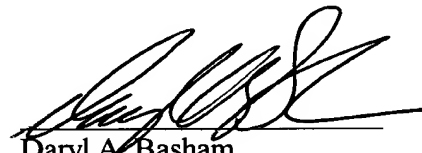
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Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the instant application.

Respectfully Submitted,

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